

## **FCC REPORTS EDICION NOCTURNA JAN 15-31 PART 2**

**01/16/13**

### **OBAMA GUN LAW**

**VO :33 SOT :29**

Even as he uses his executive powers to enact 23 measures that don't require the approval of Congress, President Barack Obama says there's only so much he can do to reduce gun violence unless lawmakers act. He says that's what it will take to make a "real and lasting difference." His executive orders include tougher penalties for people who lie on background checks. And they give schools flexibility to use federal grant money to improve school safety. A presidential memorandum will instruct the Centers for Disease Control to research causes and prevention of gun violence. Obama wants Congress to renew and expand a ban on assault weapons, and limit high-capacity magazines. And he wants lawmakers to close loopholes that permit private gun transactions to occur without background checks. The White House says nearly 40 percent of gun sales are conducted by private individuals now exempt from checking the backgrounds of buyers.

### **IMMIGRANTS DMV UPDATE**

**VO :20**

Immigrant advocates are welcoming a California study that found unlicensed drivers are the most hazardous motorists on the road, saying it supports their longstanding argument that denying driver's licenses for illegal immigrants has put everyone at risk. Drivers without a valid license are nearly three times more likely to cause a deadly crash, according to the Department of Motor Vehicles report. The study reviewed drivers with revoked or suspended licenses along with unlicensed drivers who were found to have the worst driving record.

### **ENERGY DRINKS & HOSPITALS**

**VO :26**

A new government study is calling popular "a rising public health problem" that is sending more and more people to the emergency rooms. The study, from a survey of U.S. hospitals by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, said that the number of emergency-room visits linked to energy drinks had doubled in four years - from 10,000 in 2007 to 20,000 in 2011. And of those 20,000 ER visits in 2011, 42 percent had mixed the energy drink with another stimulant such as Adderall or Ritalin or with alcohol. Fifty-eight percent had consumed just the drink. Dr. Allen Taylor, chief of the cardiology division at Georgetown University Hospital, explained what could happen to some people when they consume an energy drink.

## **PREGNANCY & FLU**

**VO :20**

A large study offers reassuring news for pregnant women: It's safe to get a flu shot. The research found no evidence that the vaccine increases the risk of losing a fetus, and may prevent some deaths. Getting the flu while pregnant makes fetal death more likely, the Norwegian research showed. The flu vaccine has long been considered safe for pregnant women and their fetus. U.S. health officials began recommending flu shots for them more than five decades ago, following a higher death rate in pregnant women during a flu pandemic in the late 1950s. But the study is perhaps the largest look at the safety and value of flu vaccination during pregnancy, experts say.

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**01/17/13**

## **GUNS IN TEXAS**

**VP 25 SECS.**

New York Governor Andrew Cuomo, a Democrat, signed sweeping gun-control legislation earlier this week expanding the state's ban on assault weapons and putting limits on ammunition capacity in the wake of last month's school shootings in Connecticut. Abbott, a possible candidate for governor of Texas in next year's election, used campaign money to buy ads on websites of news organizations in New York City and Albany. One ad says in classic Western script: ``WANTED: Law abiding New York gun owners seeking lower taxes and greater opportunities." Clicking on the ad leads to a Facebook page touting the virtues of Texas, including the fact that the state has no income tax so ``you'll be able to keep more of what you earn and use that extra money to buy more ammo." Abbott has said he will file a federal lawsuit to throw out any nationwide gun restrictions implemented by Congress. A Cuomo spokesman did not immediately respond to an emailed request for comment.

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**01/18/13**

## **PAID SICK DAYS**

**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ / NEW YORK**

**PKG 2:22**

City officials including Public Advocate Bill de Blasio, Assemblyman Richard N. Gottfried, health care workers, labor advocates and representatives of labor unions for nurses call for City Council to pass legislation that would require certain employers to provide paid sick days for employees, during a rally where participants will also discuss the number of recent flu cases; steps, City Hall.

## **IMMIGRATION REFORM / CABINET DIVERSITY**

**JAIME GARCIA / LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**2:05**

Diverse coalition announces readiness to support immigration reform legislation and keep families together Los Angeles - On the eve of President Obama's second inauguration, organized communities throughout the United States will rise to express their support for an issue favored by a large majority of Americans: a pathway to citizenship to keep families together. On November 6, voters sent President Obama and the 113th Congress a clear mandate to address this crucial issue. In Los Angeles, a diverse coalition of families, immigrant rights, labor, faith, business, students, and elected leaders, will send a clear message about California's leadership role in making immigration reform possible in 2013.

## **DRIVERS LICENSES FOR DREAMERS**

**VO :19**

Today, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Released new facts clarifying that dreamers who have been approved for the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Program are considered by the department of homeland security to be in the country with lawful presence-which should pave the way for all daca-mented dreamers to obtain driver's licenses. The announcement is a huge victory for immigration advocates, especially united we dream, which pushed uscis for clarification based on feedback from local groups.

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**01/19/12**

## **US OBAMA GUN ADDRESS**

**VO: 25 SECS.**

President Barack Obama reiterated his commitment to curb gun violence in America in his weekly radio address on Saturday. Obama proposed a new assault weapons ban and mandatory background checks for all gun buyers on Wednesday (January 16) in a bid to channel national outrage over the Newtown school massacre into the biggest U.S. gun-control push in generations. The president said he hoped that his wide-ranging plan for executive and legislative action to curb gun violence would help prevent

tragedies like the one in Newtown. Obama had done little to rein in America's weapons culture during his first four years in office. But just days before his second inauguration, he appeared determined to champion gun control in his next term with a drive for tighter laws.

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01/20/13

## INAUGURATION - LATINOS

TONY DANDRADES / WASHINGTON, DC

PKG 2:29

Latinos are taking a more prominent role in President Barack Obama's second inauguration, from the first Hispanic Supreme Court justice swearing in the vice president to a star-studded celebration of Latino culture. Eva Longoria, a co-chairwoman for Obama's campaign, is hosting a salute to the president Sunday evening. Antonio Banderas, Rosario Dawson, Marc Anthony and other entertainers are scheduled to appear at the event, called the "Latino Inaugural 2013: In Performance at the Kennedy Center." San Antonio Mayor Julian Castro will address the audience. Meanwhile, Justice Sonia Sotomayor administered the oath of office Sunday morning to Vice President Joe Biden. Longoria says this is her first time attending an inauguration. She told ABC's "This Week" she will advocate on public policy and that everyone should be civically engaged.

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01/21/13

## IMMIGRATION PROTEST ILLINOIS

VIVIANA AVILA / CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

PKG 1:45

On January 21st, Inauguration day and Martin Luther King Day, families of those recently targeted in immigration raids are calling for a March and rally for a moratorium on deportations in Chicago. The immigrant community in Chicago is calling for the President to grant immediate relief from deportations by ordering a moratorium. While Congress deliberates, they say, the President can use his executive authority to make immediate changes to reverse his record on deportations.

## **ANTIGUN MARCH NYC**

**VO :23**

Several hundred people marched across the Brooklyn Bridge on Monday (January 21) to call on the U.S. Congress to pass tougher gun control legislation. The group said the march purposefully coincided with the inauguration and Martin Luther King's remembrance day, as they hoped tougher gun laws would be a priority for President Obama. As families marched across the bridge, children held up signs and chanted for gun control along with their parents. Thirteen year old Kate Godsil Freeman said she doesn't want to live in a society where she fears guns

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**01/22/13**

## **COLD WEATHER FOR THE NORTHEAST OF USA**

**PEDRO ULTRERAS / NEW YORK**

**PKG TRT: 1:54**

Cold temperatures for the northeastern quadrant of the nation, a continued lake effect snow event downwind of the Great Lakes, and accumulating snow near the New England coast remained the top weather headlines of the nation on Tuesday. For the northeastern quarter of the nation, persistent northwesterly flow maintained frigid daytime temperatures on Tuesday. Highs across the region ranged from below zero in parts of the Dakotas and Upper Mississippi Valley to the single digits in the Upper Great Lakes and interior Northeast to the 30s across parts of the Lower Ohio Valley and New England. Bitterly cold temperatures combined with northwest winds of 10 to 15 mph and higher gusts led to dangerously cold wind chills during the morning and nighttime hours across parts of the Dakotas through the Great Lakes and Ohio Valley and into parts of the Central Appalachians.

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**01/23/13**

## **WOMEN CATCH UP WITH MEN ON SMOKING DEATH RISKS**

**VO :20**

Women smokers are at a greater risk than at any time in recent decades from smoking-related illnesses such as lung cancer, chronic bronchitis, or cardiovascular diseases. That's according to a new study, reported in the "New England Journal of Medicine," showing that women also have caught up with men in terms of their chances of developing ailments connected with smoking. The study looked at the medical records of more than 2.2 million women in the United States between 2000-2010. It showed that female smokers in recent years were 25.7 times more likely to die from lung cancer than those who never smoked - a level reached by men in the 1980s.

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**01/24/13**

### **ASSAULT WEAPONS BAN BILL**

**LOURDES MELUZA / WASHINGTON, DC**

**PKG 2:23**

Congressional Democrats, led by Sen. Dianne Feinstein of California, have reintroduced a bill that would ban assault weapons despite opposition in the Republican-led House and the reluctance of some Senate Democrats. Feinstein wrote the original assault weapons ban, which became law in 1994 and expired in 2004. Democratic Reps. Carolyn McCarthy of New York and Ed Perlmutter of Colorado will lead the effort to push the bill through the House.

### **DREAMERS MILITARY**

**BLANCA ROSA VÍLCHEZ / NEW YORK**

**PKG 2:13**

Undocumented youth who have been approved for Deferred Action under President Obama's executive action will be going to recruiting offices across the country asking the President and the Department of Defense to allow them to serve in the U.S. military now that they have Deferred Action. The new immigration policy change grants DREAMers work authorization and a social security number.

### **ACLU ENGLISH CLASSES**

**VO :24**

The American Civil Liberties Union of California on Wednesday charged that about a quarter of California school districts are violating state and federal laws by failing to provide English language instruction to all students who need it and demanded state education officials take action. The ACLU, along with the Asian

Pacific Legal Center, sent a letter to Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Torlakson and state school board members stating that it will file a lawsuit if English classes are not provided to some 20,000 students within 30 days.

## **SMOKING SHORTENS LIFE**

**VO :23**

People who smoke take at least 10 years off their life expectancy, a new study has found. n the other hand, those who kick the habit before age 40 reduce the excess risk of death associated with continued smoking by about 90%, according to the study in Thursday's *New England Journal of Medicine*.

## **PRESCRIPTION PAINKILLERS**

**VO :19**

A U.S. Food and Drug Administration advisory panel will meet Thursday and Friday to discuss the fate of certain painkillers that contain an opioid known as hydrocodone. At issue is whether to reclassify some of these drugs-which include the commonly prescribed Vicodin (hydrocodone plus cetaminophen)-into a higher category of danger for misuse or abuse.

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**1/25/13**

## **LATINO AND MENTAL HEALTH**

**LUIS MEGID / SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 1:45**

As the national debate on mental health issues heats up, a new study shows that Latino children are less likely to receive psychological treatment. Only 24 percent of Latino children receive treatment for mental issues, compared with 47 percent of non-Latinos, according to the UCLA's California Health Interview survey released this week. The findings were based on data from 2005, 2007 and 2009. The survey, conducted every two years, involved interviews with about 17,000 parents.

## **IMMIGRATION REFORM PLANS**

**LOURDES MELUZA / WASHINGTON, DC**

**PKG 2:22**

The White House and a bipartisan group of senators next week plan to begin their efforts to push for comprehensive immigration reform. President Barack Obama is also expected to make an announcement on immigration during a Tuesday trip to Las Vegas, Nevada, the White House said on Friday. The Senate group is expected make their plans public around the same time, the Associated Press reported. For Obama, immigration reform is a campaign promise that has remained unfulfilled from his first White House run in 2008. During his 2012 re-election campaign, the president vowed to renew his effort to overhaul the nation's immigration system. It has long been expected that Obama would roll out his plans shortly after his inauguration.

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**01/26/13**

## **AN INCREASE IN EMERGENCY ROOM VISITS RELATED TO ENERGY DRINKS**

**LUIS NAVARRO / INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA**

**PKG 2:26**

A new government study says the growing consumption of energy drinks could pose a public health problem. Concern over the use of energy drinks has grown in recent months after several deaths were linked to the beverage. Now, government research is suggesting the drink could have a lot to do with an increase in emergency room visits. But what promises a burst of energy can lead to negative medical consequences. One eight ounce energy drink can carry anywhere from 80mg to 500 mg of caffeine. The American Academy of Pediatrics says you shouldn't consume more than 100mg each day. A recent government study says excessive amounts of caffeine, combined with additives such as taurine, a performance enhancer, can affect your heart and central nervous system. More people are also seeking medical attention after consuming these drinks. The study says emergency room visits have doubled in the last four years.

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**01/27/13**

## **DRIVERS LICENSE FOR IMMIGRANTES IN ILLINOIS**

**VIVIANA AVILA / CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**



**PKG 2:18**

Gov. Pat Quinn signed a bill into law Sunday allowing illegal immigrants to get special driver's licenses, but it will be at least another 10 months before they'll start being issued. The Illinois secretary of state's office estimates it'll need that much time to finalize rules and train employees about who qualifies and what paperwork can be accepted. The lag time did little to dampen the mood of hundreds who braved icy weather to watch the ceremonial bill signing on Chicago's Southwest Side. The fanfare at Instituto del Progreso Latino included performances by a mariachi band and a roster of speakers 15 dignitaries deep. Supporters said the measure will make it easier for undocumented immigrants to get insurance. To qualify for a license, an applicant must prove they have lived in Illinois for a least a year and show that they are ineligible for a Social Security card. Documents that will be accepted include a copy of a lease, utility bills and a valid passport or consular identification card.

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**01/28/13**

## **IMMIGRATION REFORM**

**PABLO SANCHEZ. WASHINGTON, DC**

**PKG 2:00**

**EZEQUIEL HERNANDEZ, ANALISIS**

**INTERVIEW 3:00**

Key Democratic and Republican senators are pledging to get a wide-ranging immigration bill through the Senate by summer even as they point to numerous pitfalls ahead. The group of eight senators unveiled proposals Monday to secure the border, allow more guest workers, require tougher verification measures by employers and create a path to citizenship for 11 million illegal immigrants already in the country. They expressed optimism they can succeed where numerous past efforts have failed. Republican Sen. John McCain of Arizona said November's election losses show Republicans they need to take steps to win over Latino voters. But the senators quickly encountered a cool reaction from other lawmakers, including Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell, who said immigration legislation is too important to be written in a back room.

## **BORDER SECURITY**

**VILMA TARAZONA. MIAMI, FLORIDA**

**PKG 2:00**

The immigration overhaul framework top senators released Monday relies heavily on more drones to patrol the Southwest border as a key way to control the flow of illegal immigrants. The proposal doesn't

say how many drones would be added to the federal fleet, but the reliance on drones could be problematic at a time when some in Congress are calling for a review of how law enforcement uses them. And the Homeland Security Department's inspector general has reported that U.S. Customs and Border Patrol's current drone program is chaotic and the agency can't keep its drones flying at the rate it had promised. The agency didn't even budget for enough maintenance money to repair broken drones.

## **SANDY RELIEF FUNDS**

**VO :20**

The U.S. Senate on Monday approved a \$50.5 billion disaster aid package for victims of Superstorm Sandy, three months after the storm destroyed or damaged hundreds of thousands of homes and businesses in coastal New York, New Jersey and Connecticut. The 62-36 vote in the Democratic-controlled Senate sends the appropriation measure to President Barack Obama to be signed into law. It narrowly exceeded a 60-vote threshold needed for passage.

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**01/29/13**

## **OBAMA ABOUT IMMIGRATION AND GAYS**

**VO: 30 SECS.**

President Obama will include a fix for gay binational couples in his proposed immigration reform plan. Unlike straight couples who can get married in order to seek green cards and then citizenship for the non-American spouse, gay couples' marriages are not recognized by the federal government because of the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA). Thus even if married to an American citizen in a US state, the non-American partner is eventually deported. Interestingly, for lack of a better word, the Senate bipartisan immigration reform proposal, which our own Gabe Ortiz will be writing about later this morning, does not include any remedy for gay couples, even though gays and lesbians are a rather important part of the Democratic coalition, and played a key role in the recent election.

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**01/30/13**

## **OBAMA ON IMMIGRATION INTERVIEW**

**MARIA ELENA SALINAS**

**PKG 4:15**

Presidente Barack Obama spoke with Univision about immigration and the possibility of a reform at the end of this year.

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**01/31/13**

**MONEY OWED TO IMMIGRANT WORKERS**

**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ / NEW YORK**

**PKG 2:16**

City Comptroller John C. Liu today launched a website that will enable workers who were paid less than the prevailing wage on City public works projects to search online for the money they are owed. The Comptroller's office routinely collects funds from settlements with offending contractors. Currently, \$2 million remains unclaimed. The new website features a confidential search tool accessible to the public. Investigations by the Comptroller's Bureau of Labor Law indicated that some workers didn't file claims with the Comptroller's office because of the misapprehension that doing so would subject them to immigration enforcement. According to New York State law, workers employed on public works projects are entitled to prevailing wages regardless of immigration status.

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